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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: FRENCH AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS WORK TO  
RULE SLOWDOWN

1. PARIS AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL CENTER (ATCC) WHICH  
CONTROLS ALL AIR TRAFFIC INTO ORLY AND CHARLES DE  
GAULLE AIRPORTS HAS JOINTED OTHER FRENCH ATCC'S IN  
THEIR WORK TO RULE SLOWDOWN. SEVERE TRAFFIC DELAYS ARE  
EXPECTED THIS WEEKEND AND ON JULY 31 AND AUGUST 1, THE  
TWO BUSIEST DAYS OF THE YEAR.

AREA MOST AFFECTED BY SLOWDOWN IS SOUTHERN FRANCE  
THROUGH WHICH TRAFFIC MOVES TO MEDITERRANEAN AREA.  
REPORTEDLY SPANISH CONTROLLERS ALSO APPLYING SLOWDOWN  
IN SYMPATHY WITH FRENCH ACTION. IBERIA HAS CANCELLED  
SEVERAL FLIGHTS OUT OF BARCELONA TO POINTS NORTH.

2. FRENCH CONTROLLERS' MAIN DEMANDS ARE :  
A. RIGHT TO STRIKE AGAINST CIVIL AIR AUTHORITIES;  
B. FRINGE BENEFITS TO BE INCLUDED IN RETIREMENT  
COMPUTATIONS IN ADDITION TO BASIC PAY;

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C. BETTER EQUIPMENT TO CONTROL TRAFFIC ESPECIALLY  
DURING POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS SATURATED  
CONDITIONS SUCH AS PRESENT ONE.

3. NEWLY APPOINTED DIRECTOR OF AIR NAVIGATION MACHE-  
NAUD HAS AGREED TO MEET CONTROLLER UNION REPRESENTATIVES  
THIS COMING WEEK TO TRY TO SOLVE PROBLEM.

4. TWA TELLS US THAT EAST WEST TRAFFIC (NORTH ATLANTIC)  
SO FAR NOT TOO GREATLY AFFECTED BY SLOWDOWN BUT THAT  
NORTH SOUTH INTRA EUROPEAN TRAFFIC SEVERELY HIT.  
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